WHEREAS, There is at the present time an unwholesome trend throughout the world to hamper and restrict the free flow of commerce from nation to nation, which trend has more recently become apparent in the legislation enacted by the forty-eight States of this Union, and

Whereas, This action by the States, raising economic and commercial barriers against our neighbors, violates the Constitution of the United States and its express purpose to form a more perfect Union, and

Whereas, Such legislation defeats its very purpose of aiding local merchants, farmers and business men by encouraging retaliatory legislation of the same nature in other States, and

WHEREAS, Such restrictions of economic activity are foreign to all principles which this Nation was founded to uphold and in which it still believes, and

WHEREAS, Even the Free State of Maryland has not been free from the adoption of such provincial, uneconomic and unwise legislation, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all legislation tending in any way to hamper or restrict the free flow of commerce among the several States or to discriminate against our neighbors in the other States of this Nation be and it is hereby condemned, and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and he is hereby requested to transmit under the Great Seal of this State a copy of the foregoing resolution to the Governors and Legislatures of the other forty-seven States of the Union.

Approved April 26, 1939.

NO. 6.

(House Joint Resolution 6)

A Joint Resolution relative to Flag Week.

Whereas, the whole world, rent asunder by strife and contention, violence and intolerance, is today in a state of turmoil and uncertainty, marked by a titanic struggle between Democracy and Autocracy, while in this Country anti-American forces are striving to discredit and destroy the ideals and institutions symbolized by the American Flag, and social, political and economic forces are combating one another; and